



***San Diego County  
Fish & Wildlife Advisory Commission***

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**Draft Minutes  
July 10, 2008**

COMMISSIONERS	DISTRICT	
Jack Bransford	1	Present
Paul Kelpin	1	Absent
Florence Sloane, Vice-Chair	2	Present
Bruce Campbell, Secretary	2	Present
	3	Vacant
Teresa Barth	3	Present
D'erdra Smothers, Ph.D	4	Present
Jim Dodd, Chair	4	Present
Jim Conrad	5	Present
Steve Turigliatto	5	Present

**AGENDA:**

**A.** A quorum of Commissioners being present, Chairman Dodd called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

**B. Introductions**

**C. Approval of minutes of the meetings from June 12, 2008.** Motion made by Commissioner Barth to approve minutes as finally posted. Seconded by Commissioner Bransford. Call for the vote: motion was approved unanimously.

**D. Public Comment** on any subject matter within Commission jurisdiction, but not on the agenda. (No discussion or action may be taken by the Commission.)  
No public comment.

**E. Chairman's Report (Dodd)**

Chairman Dodd discussed the Supreme Courts' Heller ruling, noting that the right to bear arms was reaffirmed by the Court. He added that the decision included a statement that Americans have the right to armed self-defense. Although the decision did not preclude the

government from saying what weapons can be carried and when, it did mention that those decisions may not be made arbitrarily. There is currently a case pending in San Francisco which could have the effect of applying the 2<sup>nd</sup> amendment at the state level.

- F. Administrative Items**--The Commission will discuss, and may take action on, administrative items related to the Commission.

**Old Business:**

**1. Monthly Meeting with CDFG (Dodd)**

The next meeting will be held August 21. Chairman Dodd said things were going ok, so far so good. Commissioner Bransford said that the meetings seem to be on the same track as before. Commissioner Conrad said that nothing should be expected until after the Land Management Plans are completed.

Retain this item for next agenda      Yes ☒      No ☐

**2. Fisheries Restoration Issues (Campbell)**

Commissioner Campbell said that in October an MOU for a conservation hatchery was drafted. It is now on Ed Pert's desk, so progress is being made. Commissioner Bransford said that Ed Pert will be getting back to him on a possible presentation to the Wildlife Federation and the Fish and Wildlife Commission.

Retain this item for next agenda      Yes ☒      No ☐

**3. Grant Funding (Dodd)**

Commissioner Campbell moved to fund the Kids in Canyons grant for \$3800. Commissioner Bransford seconded. Approved unanimously. Commissioner Barth moved to decline to fund the Summercreek Homeowners Association grant. Commissioner Conrad seconded. Approved unanimously.

Retain this item for next agenda      Yes ☐      No ☒

**4. Financial Statement (Dodd)**

The amount remaining in the account will carry over to the next funding cycle.

Retain this item for next agenda      Yes ☐      No ☒

**5. Semi-Annual Report to the Board of Supervisors (Dodd)**

Commissioner Dodd will prepare a draft report for Commission approval at the August meeting. Commissioners Bransford and Conrad discussed including a statement encouraging the Board of Supervisors to consider County open space for additional recreation activities not currently permitted.

Retain this item for next agenda      Yes ☒      No ☐

**6. Invitation to Dan Richards to the next FWAC meeting (Dodd)**

Commissioner Dodd has been in contact with Mr. Richards and the earliest date he has available is in early 2009.

Retain this item for next agenda      Yes ☒      No ☐

**7. Review of the Commission mission statement and goals (Conrad)**

Commissioner Conrad said that Commission mission statement and goals were handed out last meeting and suggested each Commissioner discuss one project they would like to pursue and report back to the Commission on for the upcoming year.

- Commissioner Conrad wants to continue looking into a youth camp, possibly working with Escondido Creek and Department of Fish and Game.
- Commissioner Bransford wants to remedy the County's no-hunt policy.
- Commissioner Smothers wants to conduct more outreach to get a wider variety of grant applicants.
- Commissioner Barth wants to expand the movement in the County to get kids back in nature, specifically she wants to promote National Trails Day in Encinitas.
- Commissioner Turigliatto wants to look into creating a youth camp, although working through a private organization he has contacts with.
- Commissioner Sloane wants to continue looking into the fine money and number of citations issue.
- Commissioner Campbell wants to restore naturally reproducing wild populations of rainbow trout in historic cold water systems within the county. This includes Pauma Creek, Sweetwater River (inside Cuymaca Rancho SP, Boulder Creek, and Kitchen Creek. His secondary goal is to sustain wild populations of rainbow trout in San Diego County, where they continue to exist. His third goal is to maintain public access to these fisheries.
- Commissioner Dodd wants to look into the application of the Heller decision in San Diego County.

Retain this item for next agenda      Yes ☒      No ☐

#### **8. FWAC recommendations on National and County Park firearms policy (Dodd)**

Commissioner Dodd said that discussion on this issue should be tabled until there is some success at the federal level.

Retain this item for next agenda      Yes ☒      No ☐

#### **New Business:**

##### **1. Review of Previously Funded Grants (Smothers)**

Commissioners reviewed the handout. Commissioner Smothers noted that when there is less money available, FWAC is forced to fund a narrower range of projects, and typically fewer research projects.

Retain this item for next agenda      Yes ☒      No ☐

#### **G. Commissioner's Corner –**

Jack Bransford – National Hunting and Fishing Day is coming up the last Saturday in September and he is wondering who will man the booth. Commissioners Conrad and Campbell volunteered.

Jim Conrad – There will be discussion of changing the pheasant hunting season from 6 weeks to 8 weeks at the upcoming Fish and Game meeting in August.

Steve Turigliatto – California Waterfowl Association banquet is coming up.

Jim Dodd – The end of the year and his term as president is approaching. If anyone wants to be President, Vice President or Secretary for the next year, they should let him know.

Teresa Barth – Department of Fish and Game has upcoming public workshops for the Marine Life Protection Act Initiative South Coast Project

**H. Meeting adjourned 7:53 pm.** Motion by Commissioner Campbell, seconded by Commissioner Smothers.

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